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## High Demand Occupations in Kansas Occupations That Qualify for the Governor's CTE Initiative Are High Demand

**Topeka, Kan. –** The Kansas Department of Labor (KDOL) reports that health care, production and office and administrative support occupations top the Kansas *High Demand Occupations* list, with general managers, accountants, registered nurses and secondary school teachers topping the Kansas *High Demand-High Wage Occupations*.

High Demand Occupations are occupations which have larger than average combined current and projected (short-term and long-term) demand in the state. The list is created using data collected in the 2015 Job Vacancy Survey as well as projected occupational data for the years 2016 and 2022. The median annual wage of all High Demand Occupations is \$39,330. For the full list of high demand occupations go to: <a href="https://klic.dol.ks.gov/gsipub/index.asp?docid=403">https://klic.dol.ks.gov/gsipub/index.asp?docid=403</a> - click on statewide map.

High demand occupations with a median annual wage higher than the statewide median annual wage are considered High Demand-High Wage Occupations. A full list of these occupations is available at: https://klic.dol.ks.gov/gsipub/index.asp?docid=403. Click on statewide map.

The top ten occupations with the highest overall demand are as follows: accountants and auditors; registered nurses; heavy and tractor trailer truck drivers; customer service representatives; laborers and freight and material movers; landscaping and grounds keeping workers; nursing assistants; stock clerks; retail salespersons and personal care aides.

All occupations that qualify for the Governor's Career and Technical Education (CTE) Initiative are high demand. This program covers high school students' tuition cost for technical courses and rewards school districts for each student who earns an industry-recognized technical certificate in a key occupation. A list of key occupations is available <a href="https://example.com/html/>here">here</a>.

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